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"EAST OF SUEZ."

A BRITISH RELIGIOUS PAPER'S PROTEST.

Mr. Basil Mathews, Editor of *Outward Bound*, contributes to the *British Weekly* the following criticism of Mr. Somerset Maugham's much-discussed plays:—

Mr. W. Somerset Maugham has published his play, "East of Suez."
The play is pivoted on the issue on which the future of civilisation depends—the relations between the white and yellow races. Last week, with three friends, I went to see it, for the point of view of this play is greatly important to anyone whose life work is bound up—as that of all four of us is—with the race problem. I know that *The British Weekly* does not usually notice the drama, but not less than ten thousand people are listening to this play every week, and, willy-nilly, Mr. Maugham is teaching the public on this vital and tremendous issue.

What, then, is he saying?

The play opens with a "scene without words," exquisitely produced. One of my friends was a man who has spent many years in China, and he at once localised the precise spot as "inside the Hata-men (the Hata Gate) of Peking. He regarded the whole scene as a flawless picture of real Peking life.

Having now got the right Oriental atmosphere, the first scene lands us straight into a vigorous discussion between two young Englishmen on the race question in its most crucial form—the question of the white man marrying either a Chinese or a half-caste—an Eurasian.

Mr. Maugham gives in a vigorous way the two aspects of this question as they would be discussed, say, in a good club in Peking. He does not go deeper than that. If he did go deeper he would be much more interesting. One point never mentioned in all criticism of the Eurasians is the obvious and vital point that they owe their very existence to white fathers—men of the race (and often the very men themselves) who do the criticising.

I have no space to describe the plot. Its core is that one of the Englishmen marries an Eurasian girl, Daisy, in whom East and West are pulling in different directions. The Chinese woman who poses as her old Amah is really her mother.

Daisy has been sent to England by her English (but unknown) father to receive a good education. She returns at seventeen, and is taken to the Presbyterian mission at Peking by a young official of the Legation, who is told by his superior to do this.

She and the Legation officer carry on a liaison, and this is what Mr. Maugham gives us:—

Daisy: "They hated me at the mission. They found fault with me from morning till night. They blamed me because you wanted to marry me, and they treated me as if I was a designing cat. When you went away they heaved a sigh of relief. Then they started to convert me. They thought I'd better become a school teacher. They hated me because I was seventeen. They hated me because I was pretty. Oh, that brute! They killed all the religion I'd got!"

Now obviously she was taken to the mission because that is the one place where a lovely Eurasian girl of seventeen would be safe, would be looked after well, and her education continued. But Mr. Maugham gives us not a word about that side of the question.

I will guarantee that any of the women in the theatre who laughed at this passage would, if they were made responsible, for instance, in London for the honour and well-being of a pretty Eurasian girl and found her in clandestine relations with a young Foreign Office official in Whitehall, have taken steps to check it in precisely the same way that a missionary would in Peking.

Where on earth Mr. Maugham found any background for that ridiculous libel about harshness one cannot imagine.

Did he go to the Presbyterian mission—or any other mission—in Peking? Where did he ever meet or hear of any girl who felt like, or would say, that? Where did he get his views about missions? Did he, for instance, see the Chinese nurses and medical students at the Union Medical College and Hospital at Peking, superb in their scientific equipment, and unsurpassed in either the East or the West as an educational institution, the College from which last year alone over a score of Chinese, Chinese doctors and surgeons graduated and went out to heal their fellow-countrymen in China. Did he ask them about missions?

Did he go to men like His Excellency W. W. Yen (ex-Foreign Secretary to the Chinese Republic), His Excellency Alfred Sze (Chinese Minister first in London and now in Washington), His Excellency Wellington Koo (Chinese Minister first in Washington, then in London, and now Foreign Minister in the Cabinet at Peking), or to the present Minister of Education at Peking, or to Miss Zung We Tsung, the young woman reporter of the great Shanghai daily, with her amazing work for social and industrial reform, or Dr. Mary Stone, the great Chinese lady doctor, or Miss Tseng, the head of a splendid school—or the hundred of Chinese men and women who are leading in the scientific, literary, commercial and professional life of China, who are the products of missionary education?

Mr. Maugham is very careful about the scenic accuracy; why does he lapse into what is either culpable ignorance or (if he is not ignorant) deliberate maligning? The first examples of the real relations of missionaries to Eurasian girls that comes to my mind is that of Mrs. Arnold Foster, of Wuchang, who has adopted Eurasian girls as her actual foster daughters in her home, and has surrounded them with an atmosphere of love and liberty and spiritual beauty. She stands by no means alone.

Is it fair of Mr. Maugham to let Daisy acquit this vitriol in the face of such women? But far worse is to come. Harry, the husband of Eurasian Daisy, loses his temper with the Amah, who says: "You velly bad man. Velly bad temper. You no Christian!"

Harry: "A fat lot you know about Christianity." "I know plenty about Christianity. My father velly poor man. He say, you go and be Christian. I go Catholic mission, and they baptize me. English Church missionary, he come along and say, Catholic mission no good, you go to hell. I baptize you. All right, I say, you baptize me. By and by Baptist missionary come along and say, English Church mission no good, you go to hell. I baptize you. All right, I say, you baptize me. (To Kuo.) You know Seventh Day Adventists?"

Kuo: "I've heard of them." Amah: "By and by Seventh Day Adventists he come along and say, Presbyterian mission no good." Kuo: "You go to hell." Amah: "How fashion you sabe what he said?" Kuo: "I guessed it."

Amah: "You go to hell, he say. I baptize you. I been baptized one, two, three, four, five times. I velly Christian woman."

Harry (muttering): "I apologise." Amah: They all say to poor Chinese, love one another. I no think missionaries love one another velly much. Hi yah."

Has Mr. Maugham defence for that? I submit that it is inexcusable.

It is not even caricature. For caricature is an exaggeration of the truth. This stuff of Mr. Maugham's has no relation to truth. The thing is an absolute fabrication, a tissue of impossibilities. And if it is false—as it is—then it is a disgraceful falsehood; for it maligns men and women who have left home to work on a comparative pittance to faith and present to the East the Christian life which was also born in the East.

It has been put to me that it is so silly that it is not worth noticing. But of the ten thousand people a week who hear those words fully nine thousand would be impressed by the scenic accuracy of the play—take it as having some relation to reality.

Mr. Maugham may say that he is not responsible for what lies his characters tell. But—if he really sets out, to present the East—why does he reiterate absolute falsities again and again on one point and give not a glimpse of reality?

It is incomprehensible to me that (if only from the point of view of dramatic art itself, leaving aside for the moment questions of sheer human decency) dramatists who are intensely keen on reality elsewhere are ready to be silly and sloppy-minded the moment they touch matters of religion or the Church.

For instance, Miss Clemence Dane, in her brilliant "A Bill of Divorcement," which is dated a decade hence (in the 1930's, I believe), introduces a pompous, platitudinous, unctuous parson of a type that was disappearing in the 1890's, a type whose last representatives are being—so to speak—wheeled in bath-chairs off the stage of life to day. By 1930 he will be as extinct as the dodo. But Miss Dane, in the midst of a piece of sustained drama of fine quality, directly she touches the Church lapses into the fatuous and the unreal.

Why? Is she fair to herself? Is Mr. Maugham fair to himself?

I am not now trying to defend the Church or to ask for any favours for her; I am only pleading with the dramatist to be dramatically true: "to hold the mirror up to nature" and not be content with a fifth-hand cliché that was out of date before Miss Dane or Mr. Maugham had left school. Frankly, when they touch organised Christianity they reveal appalling incompetence.

May I frankly plead that, in the interests of the drama as a medium both of art and of teaching about life, in the interests of decent treatment of men and women giving their lives freely for the East thousands of miles away; in the interests of his great audiences that carry away false impressions from his play; above all in the interests of the future relations of the races, Mr. Maugham should eliminate these plots from his play?

FRANCE & KWANGCHOWWAN
THE QUESTION OF RETROCESSION TO CHINA.

The Asiatic News Agency states that the Kwangtung guilds in Shanghai and other places have wired to the Central Government urging that as both Japan has agreed to restore Kiaochow to China, and Britain to restore Weihaiwei, as a result of the Washington Conference, France should be requested to open discussions with China concerning the rendition of Kwangchowwan, as she promised to do at the disarmament parity. The Foreign Office has instructed Mr. Chen Lo, Minister to Paris, to approach the Poincaré Cabinet concerning the Kwangchowwan problem so that negotiations can be opened between the two countries as soon as possible. It is reported in Chinese official circles that the French Government wishes China to purchase all public buildings and other properties built by France in Kwangchowwan at great cost. Furthermore, it is stated that the French will only agree to hand back Kwangchowwan to China under certain conditions. They point out that Kwangchowwan is the only French leased territory in China, while after the restoration of Kiaochow and Weihaiwei, Japan will still be in possession of Port Arthur and Great Britain will have Hongkong.

SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

MATCHES FOR TO-DAY.

HONGKONG LEAGUE.

Division I.—Kick-off 4.15 p.m.
King's v. H.M.S. Tamar. Sookunpoo "A" ground. Referee: Mr. F. Smith.

H.M.S. Ambrose v. H.M.S. Hawkins. Navy "A" ground. Referee: Mr. F. Williams.

H.M.S. Durban v. South China. Navy "B" ground. Referee: Mr. W. E. Hollands.

Hongkong Club v. Kowloon. Club ground. Referee: Mr. A. Newton.

Division II.—Kick-off 2.15 p.m.
South China "B" v. Warders. S.C.A. ground. Referee: Mr. F. Williams.

H.M.S. Hawkins v. Kowloon. Navy "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Newton.

Hongkong Police v. King's. Sookunpoo "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Cook.

R.G.A. v. Fleet Auxiliaries. Sookunpoo "B" ground. Referee: Mr. Tyldesley.

H.M.S. Ambrose v. University. Club ground. Referee: Mr. G. H. Perry.

H.M.S. Durban v. United A.C. Navy "B" ground. Referee: Mr. W. E. Hollands.

St. Joseph's v. South China "A." St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. A. C. Fairburn.

The Division I. fixture arranged to take place between Police and R.G.A. on St. Joseph's ground is now cancelled.

At Wei-hai-wei on October 16th a match in the Hongkong League Division I. was played between H.M.S.'s *Despatch* and *Hawkins* resulting in a draw game of one goal all.

The Club and Kowloon fixture has been brought forward owing to the absence of some of the warships from port. A good game should be seen with the Club winners by a small margin. The Club will be better served forward than Kowloon, while the visitors will be stronger in the back division. Brown greatly improved the Kowloon attack last week against the R.G.A., scoring no less than 3 goals. Kowloon are working up a good side and will give the Club one of the hardest games they have had this season.

The tit-bit of the week will be the match at Sookunpoo between the King's and *Tamar* where the goalless draw of last week will be continued this.

The Military team will have more room on the Garrison ground and should make the game more open which will give Lieut. Jones more chances to break through than he had on Navy "A" ground last week. The King's are confident of winning, but their hopes may yet be shattered by the Naval team who have got together a good side.

A game that will attract a large crowd will be the one between South China and *Durban* on Navy "B" ground. The *Durban* are already nominated as League champions, but they will find a few stumbling blocks before they reach their goal. A drawn game would not come as a surprise.

The *Hawkins* and *Ambrose* will do battle on the "A" ground and in accordance with the form shown by the flagships at Wei-hai-wei the match should end in a win for the *Hawkins*.

In the Junior matches there will be some close games. The Police meet the King's at Sookunpoo and a fast game is expected to end in favour of the Military team. On Navy "B" the United A.C. are due to meet an unknown quantity in the *Durban* Reserves and if rumours of form count for much the game should be very evenly contested and end in a draw.

Kowloon are expected to be too strong for the *Hawkins* on Navy "A" but the latter team is unknown locally. A good game is expected.

South China "B" should beat the Warders on last week's form, while the South China "A" will find St. Joseph's a strong combination and go down rather heavily.

The *Ambrose* Reserves are yet to make their first appearance in the League for although on the ground last week their opponents the Club Reserves did not turn out. The R.G.A. and Fleet Auxiliaries should play a drawn game.

Secretaries of Clubs should note that the kick off is 15 minutes earlier this week.

H.K.F.C. v. KOWLOON F.C.

In this 1st division League match, to be played in the Hongkong Club ground to-day (kick-off, 4.15 p.m.), the following have been selected to play:—
H.K.F.C.—Roderick, Israel and Bishop; McPhail (capt.), Donovan and Moore; Purvis, Forsyth, Regg, Valentine and England.

Kowloon F.C.—Townsend; Wheeler and Knight; Morrison, King and Pasco; Millard, E. G. Hall, B. J. Brown, Mason and Coombs.

KING'S v. "TAMAR"

The following will represent the King's against the *Tamar* on the Garrison ground at Sookunpoo, to-day:—Pte. Blances; Cpls Wynns and Griffiths; Sgt. Newton, Pte. Hodgson and Cpl. Barlow; Pte. Williams, C.Q.M.S. Burnett, Lt. Jones, Cpl. Dyer and Pte. Scott.

KING'S v. POLICE.

The following will represent the King's against the Police on the Garrison ground at Sookunpoo at 2.45 p.m. to-day:—Cpl. Holland; Ptes. Crumney and Williams; Ptes. Jones, Critchlow and Wildman; Ptes. Love, Cook and Dangerfield; Cpl. Carr and Pte. Livesey.

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FATAL MOTOR-BUS ACCIDENT.

THE JURY'S VERDICT.

The Coroner's inquiry into the death of a small Chinese girl who was knocked down on the Shum Shui Po-Yammat Road by motor bus No. 347 and fatally injured on October 17th was continued at the Magistracy, yesterday afternoon.

After further evidence had been taken the Coroner summed up to the Jury. He said the most likely explanation of the accident was the story told by a youthful hawk who impressed him as being a most truthful witness. He was in a better position than anyone to say what definitely did happen. He was standing waiting for the bus to come along. He had told them that the woman and the child were walking along his side of the road. He saw them rush across the road and then turn back in front of the bus and the child was knocked down. If the Jury found that the evidence of the mother and the woman, who were with the child, that the bus came round the corner on the wrong side of the road at a considerable speed there could be no doubt that the driver was doing an unlawful act, in which case they would bring in a verdict of manslaughter. On the other hand, if they believed the youthful hawk they would bring in a verdict of accidental death. The jury were also at liberty to add any rider they pleased.

After a few minutes' absence the Jury returned a verdict of accidental death. They also wished to add that there seemed to be some carelessness on the part of the driver in not "pulling up" when he saw these people on the road. In view of this the Jury thought the Kowloon Motor Bus Company should pay some compensation to the relatives of the deceased.

Mr. Webster, on behalf of the driver of the bus, and in reply to the Coroner, said that he thought the Company would pay compensation, but that he had not been instructed on that point.

On discharging the Jury the Coroner informed them that it was his intention to write to the Company and inform them of the Jury's rider.

THE TRAFFIC IN ARMS.

AUSTRALIANS AGAIN BEFORE THE COURT.

The case in which Owen James Smyth, ex-bar manager of the Palace Hotel, Kowloon, and William E. Pitts, second steward on the s.s. *President Jefferson*, both Australians, are charged with importing a large quantity of arms and ammunition into the Colony was mentioned at the Magistracy, yesterday.

Mr. F. G. Vaux said that he had been instructed by the American Consul to appear on behalf of the defendant Pitts. He asked for a reduction of bail. It was quite impossible, he said, for his client to raise \$5,000, the amount already fixed as bail. The defendant had now been in police custody for some time and the police well knew what the man's means were.

Chief Detective Inspector Morrison said that he had no objection to the bail being reduced to \$3,000.

Mr. Vaux suggested \$2,000, which amount his client might possibly raise. The Magistrate (Mr. Hamilton) said it was a serious case and one man had already jumped his bail of \$5,000 on the same charge. His Worship said he had a great responsibility but was prepared to reduce the bail to \$3,000. He remanded the case to Thursday, the 10th inst.

Smyth was also remanded to the same date on a bail of \$1,000.

Three Chinese concerned in the case were also remanded. It is understood that the three Chinese are to be defended by a barrister.

SAIGON RICE MARKET.

The Compagnie de Commerce & de Navigation d'Extrême Orient, in their report dated Saigon, October 23rd, state:—

Since our last report the arrivals of paddy have decreased and a fair demand has prevailed for the destinations of Europe and Cuba, prices are firm with an upward tendency, especially for prompt shipment. A fair amount of business has been done, also, for Java rice and broken rice, No. 1 and 2 mixed. There are still large stocks of paddy in the interior, but holders are waiting for better prices.

The total amount of rice exported from January 1st to October 31st is: 923,557 tons against 1,146,040 in 1921.

We quote to-day:—White Saigon rice, No. 2 sifted, Japan quality, Hongkong \$4.00 per picul, f.o.b. Saigon, for November shipment.

"PASSION'S PLAYGROUND."

Based on the well known story by the Williamsons, "Passion's Playground" is being screened at the Coronet during the week-end. The star in it is Katherine MacDonald, one of the acknowledged beauties of the screen. Her part as the young convent girl who goes to Monte Carlo and gets into trouble there provides her with opportunities for dramatic acting of which she takes the fullest advantage.

CRICKET.

QUEEN'S v. KOWLOON.

The following have been selected to represent Queen's in a friendly match v. K.C.C. to-day on the Kowloon ground:—J. S. Carrigan, S. H. Ismail, S. D. Ismail, S. A. Ismail, S. A. B. Ismail, J. O. Fletcher, E. T. Edwards, F. M. et Arculi, A. H. Madar, M. P. Madar and G. A. Y. Hall. Reserve, M. Hassan.

HONGKONG'S FAILURE TO APPRECIATE MUSIC.

AN INDICTMENT AND A SENTENCE.

Mr. Temple Bevan was announced to talk to children on music at the Helena May Institute, yesterday afternoon, but many of the children were much too young to understand, so Mr. Bevan talked over their heads to the parents and governesses who had brought them and relieved his mind of some vigorous invective on the subject of Hongkong's lack of appreciation of good music.

"The first step towards obtaining any sense of musical appreciation," said Mr. Temple Bevan, "is willingness to hear as much good music as you possibly can. The sense of appreciation will never develop unless you do that. Go to concerts and try and hear as much good music as you can. The world is full of music, but there is far too much cheap music about. It is pitiful to see the thousands of people who call themselves musical, whose love does not extend beyond a fox-trot or a music hall song."

"Most homes have a gramophone, but how many have records of any musical value? People hear and re-hear the same old records of rubbishy music, creeping round the pin, when they might be listening to Beethoven, Mozart, Schumann, and the other great masters."

Mr. Bevan is not one of those who deprecate the gramophone. "There are many homes without a piano," he continued, "and still more homes with a piano but no one to play upon it—the pianos are only used to stick pots and photographs upon. The gramophone may be a means of giving all these people good music."

"The cry goes round: 'There is no music in Hongkong.' There is as much as you want but, unfortunately, people do not avail themselves of the opportunity to go and hear it." Here Mr. Bevan gave a list of the artists who have performed in Hongkong in recent months to audiences, he remarked, consisting of almost every nationality except the British—a lamentable state of affairs. He was not blaming those who did not want to go to concerts; he was blaming those who professed to be musical but never went to concerts. Unless the Hongkong public showed more appreciation, artists would give the place a very wide berth. Already, Mr. Bevan said, people's lack of keenness was having its effect; several great artists had passed through in the last twelve months without giving concerts. Hongkong would find itself cut off from the world of music. Shanghai, the audience gathered, was very much in that predicament five years ago, but since then the sister port had rubbed up its musical knowledge and now audiences and artists there were on terms of mutual appreciation. "Two years' hard work listening intelligently to good music" was the sentence Mr. Bevan passed on Hongkong and then, he judged, the place would have a reformed character.

Those who contemplated learning an instrument, Mr. Bevan advised to learn a good one and not to waste time "playing on the old banjo," as the song has it.

The remainder of the time was spent by the audience in working out the first instalment of the two years' sentence imposed. Mr. Harry Ore, who had kindly consented to assist the lecturer, played selections from Beethoven and other composers. Mr. Bevan prefacing them by explaining the features of the works, and giving the uninitiated some hints on listening. Judging from the reception given to the music, the audience found the sentence a pleasure rather than a penalty.

Mr. C. E. H. Beavis afterwards expressed the thanks of the assembly to Mr. Ore for having, by his great skill, given them the pleasure of some delightful music. Mr. Bevan will continue the lectures every Friday for some weeks.

TO-DAY'S CHARITY FETE. ARRANGEMENTS AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

This afternoon at 2 p.m. H.E. the Officer Administering the Government (Mr. Claud Sayers, C.M.G.) opens the fete at Government House organised by the Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League, in aid of charities at home. The public are particularly requested to note that the entrance to the grounds is restricted to the gateway in Upper Albert Road; also that, when inside, access to the lawn for tea will be obtained by passing through Government House, the exit from the tea garden being by way of the exterior of the building.

No one need be in any doubt that, from the time the fete opens, until nightfall, there will be plenty to interest and amuse. Seeing that the object is a charitable one, the Committee particularly ask people who are not able to attend to send a donation.

CRAIGENGOWER CRICKET CLUB.

ANOTHER LIVELY ANNUAL MEETING.

ACCOUNT-KEEPING AND DEFAULTING MEMBERS DISCUSSED.

A lively discussion took place at the annual general meeting of the Craigengower Cricket Club last evening regarding the conduct of the Club. Feeling ran high at times and the acting Chairman (Mr. R. Basa) experienced difficulty at times in keeping the meeting under control. There was a large attendance of members.

The Secretary (Mr. R. Basa) announced that the President (Mr. J. H. N. Mody) was unable to attend and it would therefore be necessary for the meeting to elect a chairman.

Mr. Basa was unanimously voted to the Chair and, in proposing the adoption of the report and balance sheet, he expressed gratification at the large attendance which showed what an interest the members took in the Club. The Chairman went on to refer to the irreparable loss the Club had sustained by the death of the late Mr. R. E. Bellios, who had been a very willing and generous worker for the Club and always gave a helping hand when it was needed. It was a matter of regret that Mr. Bellios had not lived to see the completion of the Club extension which it was proposed to carry out very shortly, and for which, as members would see from the report, Mr. Bellios, with Messrs. Mody and Bradbury, had undertaken to pay. It was proposed to call the new hall "The Bellios Hall."

By standing in their places, members paid a tribute of respect to the memory of the late Mr. Bellios.

MEMBERSHIP.

Resuming his speech, the CHAIRMAN said that in regard to cricket and tennis, the year's result was a poor one, as the Club had only a small number of playing members. There were now 306 members; during the past year there was added the record number of 81 new members, but many members who had not paid their subscriptions had been struck off the list.

FINANCE: A SKETCHY POINT.

Coming to the question of finance, the CHAIRMAN said this was a very knotty point, which many members were discussing. The profit of £385.49 cents, shown by the working account, was very small but it had to be remembered that the Club had to redeem sixty-four \$10 debentures, pay a \$100 interest and buy \$500 worth of crockery and glassware. Taking these factors into consideration he thought the accounts were quite satisfactory. There had been some dispute about outstanding chits, which amounted to about \$3,000, but that very day they had collected \$1,500, which left very little outstanding. It seemed a very large sum but it must be considered that the Club had, on the average, about 100 members who came there during the month and signed chits. Each of these members signed, on an average, for about \$10 and it was very difficult to collect all the money at the same time.

The Committee had under consideration a proposal to appoint a local firm to act as auditors and to run the affairs of the Club but their charges were so high that the matter had to be left in abeyance. The duties of the Hon. Treasurer and the Hon. Secretary had become very arduous. They had to deal with members in all walks of life and it was impossible to please everybody. Whenever they had done had been done in the interests of the Club, (Hear, hear). He had heard remarks about how the affairs were run by the Committee and the Secretary and Treasurer. These were quite uncalled for. The Committee had only done their duty and dissatisfied persons should remember that these officers were not being paid a cent for their work. If they had a grievance members should put it before the Committee.

Regarding the election of a new Committee, he was sorry to say that there had been a division of opinion amongst the members of the Club. Some members had taken the trouble to call a meeting and pass round a circular to certain members urging them to vote for this and that candidate. The Committee held no brief for anybody and had no intention of favouring one or the other.

A VOTER OF QUESTIONS.

After a lively discussion on a question of procedure, at the conclusion of which the adoption of the report and accounts was unanimously agreed to, Mr. O. A. Grimes said he had a number of questions which he would like to put. "I am afraid they are rather unpleasant, but it cannot be helped," he remarked. "The first is, are any stock books kept to check the bar consumption, and if not, why not?"

The CHAIRMAN: We had a stock book, but we found it impossible to keep stock owing to the difficulty of getting someone to check the drinks. We have adopted a system whereby, when the drinks come in, they are stocked and served out to the bar for consumption.

Mr. GRIMES: Arising out of that, I should like to say that stock books are not difficult to keep; I have kept stock books of a bar in Hongkong for years. My next question is: "Is the list of defaulting members at present posted in the Club a complete list of defaulting members since or subsequent to the 31st August, 1922?"

The CHAIRMAN: The list posted is not a complete list. We have others who have not paid but some are away and others have promised to pay for are making efforts to do so. We did not think it desirable to post the full list.

THE CHIT SYSTEM AGAIN.

Mr. GRIMES: Mr. Chairman, I think that is undoubtedly out of order. I do not know who the members are who have not paid, but a rule is a rule and I think it should be adhered to.

The CHAIRMAN remarked that the Committee had to use discretion in a delicate matter of this kind.

Mr. H. H. TAYLOR: I take it that the members who have not paid are making an attempt to pay their accounts and that those who have been posted are the worst offenders. I think in most clubs it is left to the discretion of the Committee. If a member is really honest and makes an attempt to pay off his account then I do not see why his name should be posted.

Mr. GRIMES: My next question is, what are the names of the defaulting members subsequent to August, 1922?

The CHAIRMAN: To publish the names of all defaulting members would be very improper. If you would like to see the list you can come to my office and I will show it to you.

Mr. GRIMES: The next question is, has rule 19 been extended in 1922 in favour of any member or members, and if so, why?

The CHAIRMAN: Rule 19 refers to members extending payment to the following month. Our membership includes a number of persons who come here once in a while and then leave the Colony. We cannot post their names without giving them some intimation.

HOUSE OF THE CASH BOOK.

Mr. GRIMES: My next question will be my last. Is a separate cash book for cash payments kept in the Club for members generally or is the cash book in a member's name, and if the latter, why?

The CHAIRMAN: A cash book was kept for some time and was abused by outsiders who came in and paid for drinks. We stopped that and now allow one member who does not sign chits to use a cash book. That cash book has been used by other members when playing cards.

Mr. GRIMES: I think that should be altered. I think a separate cash book should be kept for members generally and not for any particular member. It would give more satisfaction to the majority of members.

The CHAIRMAN: We offered to put the matter before the incoming Committee.

Mr. L. A. ROSE: Have the members whose names have been posted resigned or not?

The CHAIRMAN: None have resigned. Mr. ROSE: Why post these names up when other members who are not posted owe more money?

The CHAIRMAN: That question has already been answered.

Mr. ROSE referred to an item in the balance sheet shown as "General Charges, \$668.50." He wanted to know what particular items the amount related to.

The CHAIRMAN: General charges comprise many items.

Mr. ROSE: Please let me know those items.

The CHAIRMAN: If you like to come to my office I will show them to you.

Mr. ROSE: I am not going to your office; please produce the items here.

The CHAIRMAN: If you had given me notice beforehand, I would have done so. The charges relate to providing chairs, and so on.

Mr. TAYLOR remarked that the members of the outgoing Committee had justified the confidence which had been placed in them, a remark which was received with loud applause. Mr. TAYLOR proceeded to refer to the social activities of the Club and the success which had attended them and concluded with the remark: "If there are members here who find that this place is not to their liking, there are other places to which they can go."

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers was next proceeded with and the CHAIRMAN proposed that Mr. Mody, who was unable to stand for re-election as President owing to his approaching departure from the Colony, should be made Patron of the Club—an honour that might, he thought, very well be bestowed upon him. Mr. J. C. RARRATT seconded and the motion was carried with acclamation.

Other officers were elected as follows:

President—Mr. C. H. LYSON.

Vice-President—Mr. Fred Ellis.

Hon. Secretary—Mr. R. Basa.

Hon. Treasurer—Mr. D. K. KHARAS.

Crickets Captain—Mr. B. W. BRADBURY.

Committee—Messrs. P. A. DIXON, A. R. HALL, F. H. Kew, W. Allen, J. C. RARRATT, J. H. TAYLOR, C. GRIMES and S. A. ISMAIL.

As a mark of appreciation of past services to the Club the meeting conferred life membership upon Dr. A. E. ANDERSON, G. RAPP, D. K. KHARAS and B. W. BRADBURY.

HONGKONG LICENSING BOARD.

POLICE PROTEST AGAINST THE CONDUCT OF JAPANESE HOTEL.

At the Licensing Sessions held yesterday in the Legislative Council Chamber all the applications for hotel licences were granted. The Police protested against the granting of an adjacent licence to a Japanese Hotel in Haiphong Road, Kowloon, on account of disorderly conduct.

The Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, C.M.G., presided, and there were also present the Hon. Mr. A. R. Lowe and Messrs. G. M. Young, C.D. Melbourne, A. Denison and the Secretary to the Board, Major C. Willson.

Dealing with the application of Tokutaro Miyajima for an adjacent licence for the Suhiro Hotel, No. 42, Haiphong Road, Kowloon, the Chairman said the Board had received a report from the Police which was not altogether favourable to the applicant. The report had only come just to hand and they had not gone fully into the matter. The gist of the statement was that this house was conducted in a disorderly manner and a good deal of shouting and noise went on at very late hours and that it was frequented by Japanese women who were apparently not bona fide travellers. The applicant said he closed the hotel each night at 11 o'clock. There were no women on the premises except those who worked there.

The Chairman: Do not unattached women stay on your premises?

The applicant: There are three women on the premises—one singing girl and two waitresses.

The Chairman: But is it the practice for Japanese women, travelling alone, to stay on your premises?

The applicant: No.

The Chairman: Well, the police report on the 16th August they went to your premises and found ten Japanese women, only one of whom was a visitor?

The applicant said that the ladies belonged to Hongkong. After taking a walk, they came into the hotel and had something to drink. They were respectable ladies.

The Chairman: But is it not a fact that undesirable women frequent your premises?

The applicant denied the suggestion.

The Chairman: There is also a report that on three different occasions you had visitors at your hotel and that they were shouting and making a noise.

The applicant denied this also.

The Chairman: Well, it is a fact; at least three reports have been made.

Mr. M. K. Lo, solicitor, then took up the case for the applicant and said he was labouring under the same difficulty as the Board. The police report had only just reached him. He knew nothing of the objections raised by the police. At the present moment he was not prepared to answer those objections. The hotel had been carried on for six years and no warnings had been issued. The police should have written giving warning, or taken the proprietor before the Captain Superintendent of Police. Now charges were raised on events which occurred long ago. This made it difficult to answer. It seemed as if a great injustice might be done to the applicant. He understood that a long time ago the Captain Superintendent of Police made a complaint to the proprietor that the hotel was not closing at the proper hour. On that occasion police officers were sent to watch the hotel on three nights. The police were satisfied that everything was in order. This was the only complaint the police had made.

Mr. T. H. King, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Kowloon, said he could bring nothing more definite against the applicant than that he had failed to furnish the necessary lists of people staying at the hotel. The police knew from observation that it was not a properly kept hotel, but that it was more like a public bar. People had been going there who were not residents.

The Chairman said, regarding the visitors' lists, that appeared to be an admission on the part of the police that they had not done their duty. They should have reminded the applicant that he had to supply the list.

Mr. King regretted the delay in forwarding the report; but the events were as recent as October 23rd. It was only during the last month that the police noticed that things were not right. Mr. King reiterated his former statement that the place was not being used as a hotel.

The Board then considered the case in camera, with the result that the Chairman announced that the Board was prepared to renew the licence for a further six months. The reason for this was that it would give the police an opportunity to watch the premises and also give the applicant an opportunity of satisfying the police. At the end of six months the applicant would have to make another application for a licence.

This was all the business before the Board.

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having arrived from above-mentioned ports
Friday, Nov. 3rd, 1922. Consignees are hereby
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at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra-
hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kow-
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Consignees of Cargo must produce an
Import Permit signed by the Superintendent
of Imports & Exports, Hongkong, before Bills
of Lading will be countersigned or Delivery
Orders issued.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is
to be left in the Godowns where it will be
examined at 9 A.M., Wednesday, Nov. 8th, 1922,
by Messrs. ANDERSON & ASH, Marine
Surveyors.

All claims must be presented within 10 days
of the steamer's arrival here, after which they
cannot be recognized. No claim will be
recognized after the goods have left the
Godowns, and cargo undelivered after Nov.
9th, 1922, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be
effected.
Consignees are requested to send in their
Bills of Lading in exchange for Delivery
Orders immediately.

STRUTHERS & BARRY,
Agents,
U.S.S.B. Emergency Fleet Corps.
Hongkong, November 3rd, 1922. [1710]

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wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery
from Godown on and after 2nd November.

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has been given prior to steamer's arrival.
All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between
the hours of 10 A.M. and Noon within the free
storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods
remaining undelivered after the 8th Nov. will
be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be
presented to the undersigned on or before the
2nd Nov., or they will not be recognized.
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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong, 2nd November, 1922. [1703]

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W. E. ROBERTS,
Secretary & General Manager.
2nd November, 1922. [1688]

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Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 9th NO-
VEMBER, 1922, at 11 o'clock in the
Forenoon, for the purpose of receiving a
Statement of Accounts and the Report of the
General Managers for the year ended 30th
September, 1922, and electing a Consulting
Committee and Auditors.

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pany will be CLOSED on TUESDAY, the
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[1686]

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 4TH, 1922.

A BIT OF LOCAL HISTORY.

A CASUAL glance at the files of the *Daily
Press* of thirty years ago, when the
community were discussing the question
of constructing a road around the island
as a Memorial of Queen VICTORIA, has
suggested the reflection that it is only
in the last three years that the
expectations of its authors and ad-
vocates have begun to be realised.

This road was expected to facilitate the
spread of the population and provide
opportunities for recreation. The com-
munity of the day were reminded by the
advocates of this memorial that although
they were better off in many ways than
were their forefathers in the time of the
"Factories" and the "Garden" at
Canton, to which, and the muddy river,
all foreigners were confined, yet there
was still in Hongkong "a most painful
sense of restriction" when people wanted
to get outside the town. It was even
worse than in earlier days when the
population was smaller. The old resident
of that time remembered when driving
through the town possessed a charm of
which the continual growth of the popula-
tion had long since robbed it. It is on
record that there was a time in Hongkong
when "twenty carriages might have been
seen gathered at the 'third turn' upon
the Eastern road, and parties of
ladies and gentlemen on horseback
were seen daily." Residents of the
early Eighties, sighed for a return
of those gay old times. "How delight-
ful" they said, "would it be to
see this beautiful exercise again in
fashion!" And one enthusiastic advocate
of the road wrote to the *Daily Press* to
say that with a road round the island
"a day's holiday would no longer be a
useless thing, but for all who can sit a
horse a most delightful opportunity of
refreshment and much-needed change."

Every young lady in the Colony would
then have her habit, and she would not

want willing cavaliers." When that road
was provided, parties would no longer
sell in the Colony at five and ten dollars
apiece! Again, what delight would be
given to picnic parties who would be
able to go out to the many charming
spots on the other side of the island, and
to the cyclists—"those young men" who
distinguished themselves at Home, in this
most graceful of pastimes, but whose
cycles had been brought to Hongkong to
repose in lumber rooms because the
island roads discouraged the use of the
machines." There was, moreover, the
pleasing prospect of the bathing facilities.
"If this road were made we should have
bathing machines with fresh and pure
sea water and delightful sands. Swim-
ming might then become a usual thing for
both sexes instead of a rare accomplish-
ment." It is difficult, perhaps, for recent
arrivals to think of a Hongkong without
its golf courses, and its Repulse Bay
Hotel, without the railway in Kowloon,
and with roads which can only be
described as the merest tracks, giving to
residents that "painful sense of restric-
tion" of which they complained.

In due course the road was made round
the island, but, alas, for more than twenty
years afterwards there was an entire
absence of signs of building development
along it, nor did it serve to induce the
ladies of the Colony to don riding habits
and make of the new road the Rotten
Row of the dreams of its advocates; nor,
again, did it attract people by road to
the bathing beaches on the southern side.

They still preferred to reach them by
steam launches. The pleasures of hops
far transcended the joys which the con-
struction of the road brought to a com-
munity suffering from a "most painful
sense of restriction." The road, in fact,
was little used except by a comparatively
small number of pedestrians. It needed
the advent of the motor-car and, above
all, the attractions of the Repulse Bay
Hotel, to bring about anything like a
realisation of the dreams of those who
advocated the building of the road. The
motor-car has ousted the prancing steed
all the world over, and instead of the
gay cavaliers of prancing steeds of the
imagination of thirty years ago we see
daily on this road processions of motor-
cars, and even motor busses over some
distance of it. This growing traffic has
caused the road to be improved out of
all recognition of what it was five years
ago, and there is no finality about the
improvements. "You will observe," said
H.E. THE OFFICE ADMINISTERING THE
GOVERNMENT in his Budget speech, "that
a sum of money is entered for the
improvement of Victoria Road. A good
deal of building development is taking
place on this road, and it is essential
that some of the more dangerous corners
should be removed, but the expenditure
will be kept as low as possible." To the
thousands of people who now traverse
this road, or a portion of it, in motor-
cars, in the course of a year, the neces-
sity for the removal of its dangerous
corners is obvious and no one is likely to
begrudge the expenditure it entails.

Victoria Road to-day forms one of the
most beautiful drives in the Colony and
never fails to evoke from visitors expres-
sions of admiration of the scenery along
the route as well as commendation for
the Public Works Department which
made the road and maintains it in a
condition which will stand comparison,
as regards the surface, with roads in any
part of the world.

H.M.S. *Durban* arrived in port yes-
terday from the North.

Mr. C. D. Melbourne of the Civil
Service, has returned to the Colony.

Lieut. Colonel T. M. Wakefield, D.S.O.,
commanding the R.C.A. at Singapore, is
paying a visit to Hongkong and renewing
his acquaintance with a wide circle of
friends.

The Bazaar Committee of the Society
of St. Vincent de Paul makes an appeal
in our advertisement columns to the
ladies of Hongkong for gifts for the
annual bazaar.

Mr. Ebara has taken over the duties
of Commissioner of Customs at Wuchow.
He replaces Mr. B. Tisdall, who has been
transferred to Chiawantao. Mr. Ebara
is the first Japanese appointed a Com-
missioner of Customs in South China.

It is stated in the Chinese Press that
the leaders of the "rebel" movement
in Fukien have been urging Dr. Sun Yat-
sen "to resume his Presidential regime"
at Foochow. It appears that Dr. Sun
prefers to await the further develop-
ment of the situation.

A cable was received in the Colony
to-day, stating that it will be impossi-
ble to send a team from Singapore to play
inter-port tennis.

During the absence of Major-General
Sir J. S. Fowler, K.C.M.G., O.B.,
D.S.O., the Command of the Troops in
China, will devolve on Colonel C. W.
Davy, C.M.G., Bt. Major, R. B. Young,
the Forsters, has been appointed to act
as D.A.A. and Q.M.G. vice Major R. F.
Daubuz, R.A.

The vernacular newspapers in various
parts of China have been vigorously pro-
testing against increased postal rates.
In a memorial to the Government they
suggested that these increases might
affect the attitude of the Foreign Powers
who agreed at Washington to close their
post offices in China.

Dr. de Colbert, who was arrested by
the Canton authorities about three weeks
ago on suspicion of being connected with
certain bomb outrages in Canton, is still
held in custody at the military head-
quarters, but one of his sons is permitted
to attend him and meals are sent to him
twice daily by his wife.

There are rumours in Canton that
efforts are being made to bring about a
reconciliation of General Chen Chiung-
ming and Dr. Sun Yat Sen, but as
General Chen has dispatched a force
against Dr. Sun Yat Sen's followers in
Fukien, the prospects of a reconciliation
do not seem promising.

The "Topicist" of the Singapore *Free
Press* writes: "Judging from the Hong-
kong papers which he reads, and the
local gap, which he bears, the Topicist
is led to conclude that Mr. Parker Ness,
who came out East to fix up all the little
telephone arrangements, is one too far
on in the alphabet with the first letter
of his surname."

The Secretary of the Hongkong
General Chamber of Commerce (Mr.
D. K. Blair) informs us that a donation
of \$55 to the Swatow Typhoon Relief
Fund has been received (through the
Colonial Secretary's Office) from the
readers of the *China Express* and
Telegraph, London, and has been re-
mitted to the Swatow British Chamber
of Commerce Relief Committee.

In the course of its year's work the
Government Analyst's department at
Singapore found that a powder sold as a
febrifuge was commercial cyanide of
potassium! In another a liquid was
found to be strong sulphuric acid. On
the other hand reported Morphine
Marine powder was found to be a mixture
of starch and chalk; and a tin labelled
cocaine had boric and salicylic acids with
a thin coating of cocaine hydrochlorate
on the top.

As a result of the Concert held at the
Theatre Royal on October 7th, in aid of
the Victoria Branch of the Hongkong
Women's Guild and Ministering Child-
ren's League, the funds of that deserving
charity will benefit to the extent of \$381.

This satisfactory sum was largely due to
the efforts of Mr. Pearson, who organized
the programme, and Mr. Wilson, who
designed the posters and was responsible
for the publicity work. The artists who
so kindly assisted, the ladies who sold
programmes, and other helpers are
sincerely thanked for their assistance.

Mr. Kim Chang, the new Mayor of
Canton, is to take up the duties of his
office on Monday. What the mayor
"expects to do right away" is thus re-
ported in the Canton Times: "Mayor
Kim will take drastic measures against
outrageous actions in the city, and order
the police to co-operate with the gen-
darmes and Merchants' Volunteer Corps in
suppressing disturbances caused by dis-
charged soldiers and other bad char-
acters. The mayor will try to complete the
road buildings as scheduled by the
former administration and to see that
the different roads in the city are in
proper condition. He is also very much
interested in the condition of the labour-
ing class. In view of the large number
of labourers, without education, he will
establish more evening schools for
labourers."

It is stated by a Chinese news agency
that notwithstanding the opposition of
the Ministry of Communications in
Peking an agreement has been signed by
the local authorities at Mukden, with a
Japanese company for the construction
of a line of railway from Tientsin to
Tumen. The Kirin Provincial As-
sembly has, however, declared that with-
out its concurrence as the representative
of the Kirin people, the agreement will
be considered null and void; but General
Chang Tso Lin says that in his capacity
as Chief Commander of the Paoan army,
or peace guards of Manchuria, he recog-
nizes neither the veto of the Peking
Government nor the minority of oppo-
nents in the Kirin assembly, so that con-
struction will begin by the concessionaire
in accordance with the stipulations of
the Sino-Japanese agreement, which has
been endorsed by the Japanese Consulate
General in Mukden.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

TWO NEW BRITISH BATTLESHIPS.

TENDERS INVITED.

LONDON, November 2nd.

The Admiralty is provisionally inviting tenders for two battleships, which were sanctioned in the last naval estimates, but were suspended, pending the consideration of recommendations from Mr. Churchill's committee regarding the reduction of expenditure on the naval forces.

NAVAL PROMOTIONS.

REAR-ADMIRAL SIR J. GREEN SUCCEEDS SIR L. HALSEY.

LONDON, November 2nd.

Vice-Admiral Sir Lionel Halsey, G.C.V.O., K.C.M.G., C.B. (Extra Equerry to H.R.H. the Prince of Wales) has retired at his own request, in order to facilitate the promotion of younger officers. Rear-Admiral Sir John Green succeeds him.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY AND TELEPHONY.

PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION.

GENEVA, November 2nd.

A committee has been formed to organise an international exhibition of wireless telegraphy and telephony.

EARLIER CABLES.

BRITISH ELECTION CAMPAIGN.

GOVERNMENT'S POLICY OF NEGATION.

LONDON, November 2nd.

Mr. Bonar Law, addressing 2,250 women at the Drury Lane Theatre, said he had favoured woman's suffrage since boyhood. The tendency of woman was towards conservative caution, which the Government needed. He defended his famous "the people don't know where they are" phrase and said he was wondering whether Mr. Lloyd George knew where he was. Mr. Lloyd George had so far not issued his election address; he (Mr. Bonar Law) suggested that Mr. Lloyd George was waiting on Providence. He repudiated the suggestion that the Coalition had treated Mr. Lloyd George unfairly. Mr. Lloyd George, despite his great services, could not expect to be Premier permanently. The Coalition was destroyed because the people did not know where they were or were likely to be under Mr. Lloyd George's rule. He concluded by saying that he wished the policy of the Government to be regarded as one of negation.

BRITISH RELATIONS WITH FRANCE AND AMERICA.

LATER.

Mr. Bonar Law, in the course of his speech at Drury Lane, repeated that his policy was one of negation. He said there were times when it was good to sit still and go slow. Our relations with France must be the keynote of our foreign policy. We really had common aims, and although it might be found (though he hoped not) that we were unable to agree, we could make it plain to France that we were her friends and that any breach of understanding would be fatal to both and to the peace of the world. Mr. Bonar Law, without criticism of American policy, ventured to hope that America would gradually take an interest in the League of Nations in some form or other and feel it her duty to help in dispelling the chaos created by the war.

LABOUR UTTERLY DEFEATED.

LONDON, November 2nd.

The latest returns emphasise the completeness of the Labour defeat in the London municipal elections. Nearly 200 Labour seats were lost in the 17 out of 28 Boroughs for which the returns have so far been published. The Labourites were completely cleared out of five Boroughs, including Paddington, where Labour previously held 21 seats; Fulham, where they held 23 seats; Southwark, where they held 30; and Wandsworth, where they held 13. The Municipal Reformers (roughly corresponding to the Conservatives) and occasionally candidates run merely under the auspices of Ratepayers' Associations almost everywhere swept the field.

A COMPLETE ROUT.

LATER.

Complete returns of the London Borough Council elections tell the same story of a Labour rout. Whereas in the old Councils Labour had 573 seats, it now has only 280. Labour has a majority in four out of 28 Boroughs but not a single representative in eleven. The figures from the Provinces indicate similar overwhelming defeats.

OBITUARY.

PHYA BIBADH KOSHA.

SAN REMO, November 2nd. The death is announced of the Siamese Minister to Rome, Phya Bibadh Kosha.

LATEST CABLES.

ANGORA'S NEW LAW. GOVERNMENT IN HANDS OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY.

CONSTANTINOPLE, November 2nd.

The members of the Angora National Assembly have unanimously voted in favour of a law which says that, since March 18th, 1920, and for all time, the Government of the Nation rests in the hands of the National Assembly, and no other form of government will be recognised. The people will recognise no personal authority, like that of Constantinople.

NEW RULING PRINCE TO BE SELECTED.

The Caliphate will remain with the House of Othman, but the Assembly will select a Prince, whose character, attainments and morals are worthy of the position. The law adds that, the Turkish Government will be the chief bulwark of the Caliphate.

The news of the adoption of this law was greeted with a salute of 101 guns. There were celebrations in the streets on the day on which it was passed, November 1st, which will, in future, be kept as a national holiday.

EARLIER CABLES.

ASIA MINOR CHRISTIANS TO BE EXPELLED.

CONSTANTINOPLE, November 2nd.

The American Relief Committee has received a telegram from the Angora National Assembly, announcing its decision to expel all native Christians remaining in Asia Minor. The Americans calculate that over half a million will be affected.

The new Governor of Adrianople has issued a proclamation saying that non-Muslims remaining in Thrace will be protected; that all alcoholic beverages will be seized; and that the export of cereals is prohibited. He adds that should the gendarmerie prove insufficient for requirements, well-conducted villagers will be enrolled as auxiliaries.

THE GREEK DEBACLE IN ANATOLIA.

EX-KING CONSTANTINE, BLAMED.

ATHENS, November 2nd.

The newspapers state that "investigations have fixed ex-King Constantine's responsibility for the debacle in Anatolia in assuming supreme command of the Army and otherwise as chief of a ruinous political and military regime. He will therefore be requested to appear before a Commission of Inquiry. If he does not appear, he will be tried in absentia with a number of ex-Ministers and Generals.

CANADIAN REPRESENTATIVE AT WASHINGTON.

SIR C. FITZPATRICK TO BE APPOINTED.

LONDON, November 2nd.

The *Manchester Guardian* correspondent at Ottawa, says that Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, the Lieut-Governor of Quebec, is expected shortly to be appointed as first Canadian Minister to Washington.

Sir Auckland Geddes recently conferred with the Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King, at Ottawa, on the subject of the relations between the United States and Canada, including Canadian representation at Washington.

ALLIED MILITARY IN GERMANY.

EVACUATION WILL TAKE MONTHS.

LONDON, November 2nd.

It is announced in London that the process of the abolition of the Inter-Allied Military Commission, which Germany has only accepted in principle, is bound to take months, even if compliance with the condition mentioned yesterday proceeds smoothly.

RUSSO-BRITISH RELATIONS.

RESUMPTION OF NEGOTIATIONS ON URQUHART CONTRACT.

RIGA, November 2nd.

The *Pravda* states that Russo-British relations are now sufficiently satisfactory to allow of the resumption of negotiations on the Urquhart contract. The agreement concluded in Berlin in that connection should be acceptable after revision.

ITALY'S NEW PREMIER.

CORDIAL GREETINGS FROM ENGLAND.

LONDON, November 2nd.

Mr. Bonar Law and Lord Curzon have replied in cordial terms to Signor Mussolini's telegram, notifying them of his assumption of the Premiership.

WORLD'S WELTER WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

JACK BRITTON OUTPOINTED.

NEW YORK, November 2nd.

In a fifteen round contest for the World's Welter Weight Championship, Mickey Walker, of Newark, New Jersey, out-pointed Jack Britton, the holder.

LONDON MOTOR EXHIBITION. PRICES APPRECIABLY LOWER.

LONDON, November 2nd.

Several novel features and improvements in motor car construction are to be seen at the Motor Exhibition, now one of London's most popular annual shows, necessitating the use of the Olympia, White City. There is a magnificent array of vehicles, some of which are the latest in luxury. Prices are appreciably lower than last year, though this is more manifest in the super-cars. Some cars are priced below £200, but reliable vehicles range rather higher. One novelty is a "three-seated" two-seater, in which the third seat is housed behind the main accommodation. Thus the occupant of the spare seat is equally protected when the hood is raised. A most uncommon exhibit is a motor perambulator, with a tiny engine developing the most limited speed.

ANOTHER FALL IN MARKS. SELLERS, BUT FEW BUYERS.

LONDON, November 2nd.

Marks collapsed to 24,300 to the pound. There are sellers, but few buyers.

[The Berlin correspondent of the *Times* on October 9th reported that the disastrous collapse of the mark has followed closely upon the issue of Government returns showing a big increase in paper money, and an unprecedented increase in the floating debt. Businessmen still regard paper money inflation as symptomatic of but not the cause of decline of the mark. They attribute the collapse to demands on industry for foreign payments for raw materials, the purchase of foreign food supplies and the fact that foreign money has ousted the mark as a means of making payments in Germany. Marks are rapidly lapsing into disuse even in the most minor transactions. Firms are turning money deposits, reserves and even working balances into foreign values and invariably ask for payment in British bank-notes. Speculations have become a regular habit with the public. Nevertheless, the fact remains that the value of bank-notes is still mainly determined by the ease or difficulty with which they are obtainable. The more printed the cheaper they get.]

THE CANTON LOAN.

PROTEST BY STUDENTS.

The students of Canton have communicated the following manifesto to the foreign consular and diplomatic representatives in Canton and Peking:

We, the students of Kwangtung, China, do protest against further financial aid from foreign individuals, syndicates, or governments to the numerous political and military factions in China, as this outside supply of money and munitions has been the cause and means of the present internecine and fratricidal wars to continue in this country.

We believe that the proposed 4,000,000 pounds sterling Kwangtung Government bonds to be issued at London through British bankers without approval of the National Assembly of the Republic and against the expressed wish of the Chinese people may be diverted to other purposes than the rehabilitation of currency and the improvement of Canton public utilities. We therefore request not only the British Government to withhold its support, from all British bankers dealing in this undertaking, but also all Powers friendly to China to prevent their subjects from rendering aid of any kind which will delay the reunification of China.

CANTON'S BUDGET.

The *Canton Times* reports that the Canton Executive Council has finally passed the Municipal Budget for 1932, and will refer it to the city auditor and the Legislative Council for approval.

For 1932, the City will provide for education, \$840,000; financial administration, \$70,000; public health, \$400,000; public works, \$1,600,000; public utility administration, \$100,000; police, \$1,700,000.

SIMPLE LIFE INSURANCE IN SOUTH MANCHURIA.

UTILIZATION OF TRANSFER SAVINGS SYSTEM.

The *Manchurian Daily News* (Dairen) in its issue of October 25th has the following:

Under date of the 21st inst., the Kwangtung Government issued regulations concerning the special facility for Simple Life Insurance business, to take effect on and after November 1st.

In inaugurating the Simple Life Insurance service through the post offices in South Manchuria, the formula to be gone through differ essentially from what is in vogue in Japan.

The transfer savings service of the post office is to be utilized, and any intention to assure is to apply for an insurance policy according to the provision concerning the postal transfer savings, and also those concerning the Simple Life Insurance. An assured may have a transfer savings account opened through the intervention of the Superintendent of Simple Life Insurance. When a client pays the premium through the special transfer savings account, he or she need not present a written statement and is to receive against payment an official acknowledgment either according to the stipulated form or on the premium receipt book. Thus the necessary procedure is very simple.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

RUSSIA'S FAR EASTERN ASPIRATIONS.

ATTEMPT TO CONTROL F.E.R. GOVERNMENT.

RIGA, November 2nd.

The Council of Soviet Commissars unanimously adopted M. Trotsky's proposal that the Far Eastern Republic should be brought more directly under the sway of Moscow.

A mission has been sent from Moscow to organise the transformation of the Far Eastern Government.

THE FUKIEN UPRISAL.

SOUTHERN LEADERS STRENGTHENING THEIR POSITION.

PEKING, November 3rd.

Reports from Foochow indicate that the Southern leaders are strengthening their positions. A meeting on Monday between Generals Hsu Sung Chi and Wang Yuh Chuan and representatives of the Provincial Assembly and Chamber of Commerce resolved to ask Admiral Sah Chen Ping to resign from the Civil Government, and Lin Sen was thereupon nominated as his successor. Moreover, the Military Government, has asked Admiral Sah to surrender the forts at Pagoda Anchorage.

VLADIVOSTOCK REFUGEES.

WITHOUT FOOD OR MONEY.

PEKING, November 3rd.

Dispatches from Hungchin report that the local authorities are faced with increasing difficulties through the influx of Russians, of whom 1,500 had arrived by Saturday. A fear of trouble is expressed, as the refugees are without food and many are without money.

THE PLIGHT OF A RUSSIAN SQUADRON AND TRANSPORTS.

TOKYO, November 3rd.

The *Nichi Nichi* publishes a special message from Genzan (Korea) saying that 26 Russian vessels commanded by Admiral Stark, including seven gunboats, four despatch boats and nine transports carrying 7,500 Russians refugees from Vladivostock are now anchored at Genzan.

Owing to difficulties of receiving them, the authorities have ordered their departure, but Admiral Stark is requesting provisions and coal and asking for permission to land the refugees. He told an *Asahi* correspondent that he does not know where to go next.

JAPANESE MILITARY RETRENCHMENT.

SMALL DECREASE IN EXPENDITURE.

TOKYO, November 2nd.

The army appropriations for the coming year show a decrease of only eight million yen, but the authorities point out that allowances to retiring officers and workers necessitate the keeping up of the expense for the coming year, but therefore the appropriations will show at least a thirty million reduction.

SHANGHAI WEDDING.

WILD-ALTMAN.

SHANGHAI, November 2nd.

Commander Frank Wild has married Mrs. Altmann, the widow of a Borneo Planter. He first met his wife at Vladivostock, while serving with the navy during war time.

FAR EASTERN LABOUR CONDITIONS.

RECOMMENDATION FROM I.L.C.

GENEVA, November 2nd.

The International Labour Conference has adopted a resolution, moved by the Indian workers' delegate, Mr. Joshi, requesting the Labour Office to undertake an enquiry into the condition of workers in the Far Eastern countries. The enquiry to be undertaken in co-operation with the Governments concerned.

SHANGHAI STRIKE MOVEMENT.

TROUBLE SPREADS TO B.A.T. MILL.

SHANGHAI, November 3rd.

The Japan-China Cotton Mills strike, mentioned yesterday, has been followed by sympathetic strikes—one at the International Mills and one at the B.A.T. The movement is believed to be spreading.

HANKOW STRIKE SETTLED.

BOTH SIDES GRANT CONCESSIONS.

HANKOW, November 2nd.

The cigarette strike was settled last night, concessions being granted by both sides.

[BY COURTESY OF "THE CHINA MAIL"]

PROFESSOR EINSTEIN.

TO VISIT HONGKONG.

SINGAPORE, November 3rd.

Professor Einstein and his wife were accorded a welcome at a largely attended "at home" yesterday. An address was presented by the Jewish community, the Professor replying. The Einsteins left for the Far East to-day.

MORE ROBBERIES.

Four cases of robbery are contained in yesterday's police report, two having been carried out by gangs of armed men. One of these armed robberies took place at Tai Hang village on Thursday afternoon. The account given of it by a married woman states that whilst she was sitting in the sitting room with her two children, the only other occupant of the house being the servant girl, a knock came to the door. Three men were observed through a peep hole to be standing at the door, and on inquiry being made as to their business one of them said they belonged to the Electric Company and that they had come to look at the electric fittings. She admitted them and they made a pretence of examining the house. In the woman's cubicle one of the robbers caught her by the throat and threatened to murder her. The two children and the servant girl were also seized and the robbers proceeded to gag their victims. They placed oranges in their mouths. The mistress struggled and in the struggle was stabbed in the hand. At that moment a noise was heard on the stairs and the robbers, becoming frightened, ran away. The woman chased one of the men down the street crying for assistance but none was forthcoming.

Thirty cases of "Old Mill" cigarettes, valued at \$7,000 have disappeared from Messrs. Liggett and Myers' godown at Mongkok. The cigarettes are believed to have been obtained by means of a trick.

The cubicle of a widow, living at No. 21, Upper Lascar Row was entered sometime between October 27th and November 1st, during the absence of the woman. Jewellery and clothing to the value of \$237 were stolen.

"SORDID EARTH TURNED INTO A PARADISE."

A DINNER AT DAIREN.

The proprietors of the *Manchurian Daily News* a paper published in English at Dairen, have been giving a series of dinners to foreign guests at the port. The following extract from the report of the last of the series, telling the world how "the sordid earth" at Dairen has been turned into a Paradise, deserves perhaps wider publicity.

The lion's share of the credit for the brilliant success is believed to be due to Mr. M. Tachibana (Commissioner of Customs) whose open and mellowed personality is so captivating to the Westerners, being blended with a familiar knowledge of the Occidental ways and spiced with sparkling humour characteristic of him. Our appreciation of the assistance rendered by Mr. T. Tada (Acting Deputy Commissioner of Customs) also deserves mention. We cannot imagine what could mould the temperament of the guests into such a rare mood of untroubled sweetness. At all events, the happy recollections of the evening will remain engraven deep on our mind, as a pledge that the difference in the colours of the skin is no barrier to the reciprocity of fraternal feeling, and that the linguistic partition is as thin and transparent as vapour, and also that the soul enshrined in the temple of flesh is one and the same, as fashioned by the Creator. An inspiration has dawned upon us from the indescribable beauty and warmth of the sentiment that enveloped the party from beginning to end that war, a relic of the by-gone barbarian age, has been buried forever, and the dream of Utopia has now become a reality as tangible as the breath itself. For this priceless inspiration, which has turned the sordid earth into a Paradise, we must thank every guest for his generous contribution.

A few words are due to Capt. R. C. Hamilton, in command of H.B.M.S. *Despatch*, which chanced to be visiting this port. It was learned that the British man-of-war, a new ship launched only recently, has been on her first cruise to Oriental waters. It appears that she has brought a message of Peace from the Queen of the Sea in the West to her sister in the Orient, so as to consummate the linking of both. The strange likeness the Captain bears to the Reigning Sovereign of the First Maritime Power, whose domain the sun never sets, seemed to us strikingly significant.

EXCHANGE IN OCTOBER.

Mr. C. A. de Roza's monthly exchange table gives the following averages:

	Gold	Silver	Gold	Silver	Gold	Silver
Average Rate Oct. (1932) (Approx.)	2/6 1/2	11 1/2	5 1/2	7 1/2	4 1/2	7 1/2
Highest Rate Oct. (1932) (Approx.)	2/6 3/4	11 3/4	5 3/4	7 3/4	4 3/4	7 3/4
Lowest Rate Oct. (1932) (Approx.)	2/5 3/4	11 1/4	5 1/4	7 1/4	4 1/4	7 1/4
Average Rate to date (1932)	2/6 1/4	11 1/4	5 1/4	7 1/4	4 1/4	7 1/4
Highest Rate to date (1932)	2/6 3/4	11 3/4	5 3/4	7 3/4	4 3/4	7 3/4
Lowest Rate to date (1932)	2/5 3/4	11 1/4	5 1/4	7 1/4	4 1/4	7 1/4
Average 1919	3/0 1/2	12 1/2	6 1/2	8 1/2	5 1/2	8 1/2
1920	3/3 1/2	13 1/2	7 1/2	9 1/2	6 1/2	9 1/2
1921	2/7 1/2	10 1/2	5 1/2	6 1/2	4 1/2	6 1/2

At the National Labour Housing Conference at Southampton, last month, Mr. B. Walker, chairman of the Trade Union Congress, said the wealthy were indulging in luxuries and the workers suffering in hovels. Nothing would secure proper attention being given to the housing question until it was examined district by district.

GREEKS' MALICE.

LORD ST. DAVIDS'S INDICTMENT.

Strong criticism of the behaviour of the Greek troops and of the Government's policy in the Near East was made by Viscount St. Davids when presiding at the half-yearly meeting of the Ottoman Railway from Smyrna to Aidin on September 25th. Lord St. Davids said that from the very beginning the board thought and said that the attempt to hand over Smyrna to the Greeks was a perfectly absurd action, even from the point of view of the Greeks themselves. It was ridiculous to think that a great port could be handed over to another people. Luckily the Greeks could not hold Smyrna. He thought that the Greeks should have been controlled by English officer observers, who should have been sent to Smyrna to see what went on. If that had been done the Greeks would never have dared to do what they had done. "In their retreat," he proceeded, "they burned the rest of the towns of Aidin and Nazli—which had not been burned before. They burned every Turkish village they saw, they robbed individual Turks, and when these resisted they killed them, and they did all this nowhere near the front and without any military necessity. They did it out of their own malice, and our reports are that it was done systematically by regular troops under orders. It was done by the malice of men who knew they could not hold the country and meant to make it worthless for anybody else." (Hear, hear.) Another thing, which he had never seen reported, was that the Greeks took from Smyrna a number of loading Turks and deported them to Athens. He did not know whether it was done to squeeze money out of them or to hold them as hostages. He had no sympathy with the European Greeks or King Constantine. They deserved all they got and more. "King Constantine's servants," he declared, "are very bad at fighting, but they are first-class at robbery, arson, and murder." The misfortune was that the consequences would not fall upon the European Greeks and their King, but upon the unfortunate people in Smyrna and neighbourhood, who were Greeks by descent perhaps 5,000 years ago. Except for a rebellion against the Persians thousands of years ago they had been very good and quiet subjects under every Eastern monarchy in turn that had been master of Asia Minor.

Regarding the railway, Lord St. Davids said that the staff was safe. About seventy miles of the line was all right, but as to the main line itself, and all the important tunnels on the main line, they knew nothing at all. His lordship proceeded to read extracts from letters received from the manager of the railway in Smyrna, which stated that the Turkish military authorities most obligingly, on the day of their occupation of Smyrna, provided 150 men with machine-guns to make an attempt to rescue some of the staff who had been attacked by Turkish bandits. The latter proceeded: "Messrs. Grant and Evans (employees of the railway), during the days that they were with the Greek troops (not irregulars) saw them actually set fire to stations, destroy bridges, and burn villages, the last both near to and far from the railway line. Moreover, their officers openly boasted that they had destroyed every single bridge and station from Bourhanie to Kyana, inclusive. Since then, they have been seen to burn Djumavassi Station also. There was, I need hardly say, not the remotest military necessity for any of this destruction. I think it well to lay this rough information before you at once, but shall, in course, send in a more definite report."

"OBLIGATION TO KEMAL." "I think, gentlemen," said his lordship, "we are under distinct obligations to Kemal Pasha for having sent up troops specially with no other object than to rescue our staff." (Cheers.) An extract from a letter dated September 11th read: "Yesterday I saw Nourredin Pasha, who was in command prior to Kemal Pasha's arrival later in the day, and also some of the higher officers. They were all well disposed towards me, and have provided us with a special guard for the station. The Greeks here are quiet, and the main trouble now is the Armenians, especially the refugees from Cilicia. They have resorted to bomb-throwing, and are in many ways promoting the chances of a massacre. One of them threw a bomb at even Kemal Pasha himself. The Armenians are behaving, in fact, like Armenians. When one considers that the incoming troops have all seen the wanton destruction by the retreating Greeks, it is indeed wonderful that a wholesale massacre has not taken place already."

After having expressed the opinion that the British Foreign Office during the past two or three years had not given them the support they ought to have given, Lord St. Davids said: "We think they have been a great deal too thoughtful about the susceptibilities of King Constantine—one of the worst enemies this country had through the war—(hear, hear)—the meanest and most treacherous of all our foes. They have not taken much trouble and have not put much force into any attempt to make him and his Government pay us what they owe us. They owe us £45,000 to-day for actual services rendered, and I do not know how much more for damage they have done. I should like to say that if the British Foreign Office had left us alone we should not have wanted much help. Our Government have done very little for us and they have not allowed us to do anything for ourselves."

At the Central Criminal Court, last month, a man was sent to prison for conspiring to furnish false evidence for the use of his wife in the action for divorce.

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Though he was unsuccessful, he quotes cases of men who have become millionaires through the discovery of these fabulously wealthy mines of gold, silver, lapis lazuli, and quicksilver, which were abandoned by the Jesuits.

MATRIMONIAL EXPERIMENT.

A novel experiment in the promotion of matrimony was launched in Paris at the first meeting of the Green Ribbon Club on September 25th (writes the *Daily Telegraph's* correspondent). Some little time ago a society was formed, the members of which were urged to signify their willingness to marry by wearing a slip of green ribbon. The experience proved that spinsters and bachelors in search of a mate were too shy to wear such an emblem in public, so the Green Ribbon Club was started. This society, which has an entrance fee of 10s. accepts as members girls over 15½ years of age and men over 18. It is to arrange dances, tea parties, and picnics for members only, at which all present will wear little numbers and need not reveal their identity. At these functions everyone present will know that every other guest is in search of a suitable partner. If a young man makes the acquaintance of a young lady who appeals to his taste he notes her number and then forwards to the secretary of the club a form on which are entered all the useful particulars about himself. This form is sent to the girl's parents, and if the preliminaries appear satisfactory the young man is supplied with similar information concerning the lady in question. One rule of the club is that before taking any further steps after the exchange of forms the aspirant to marriage must submit to the club secretary a certificate of medical examination. The first meeting of the club was devoted to the drawing up of rules and discussing projects. Its efficacy as a matrimonial agency remains to be tested.

SCHOOLGIRLS TOO ELEGANT.

The Scholastic Board at Zurich has sent a letter to the parents of girl pupils insisting on a limitation of the expenditure lavished on clothing and jewellery for their daughters. The board alleges that the work of education is hindered by useless luxury.

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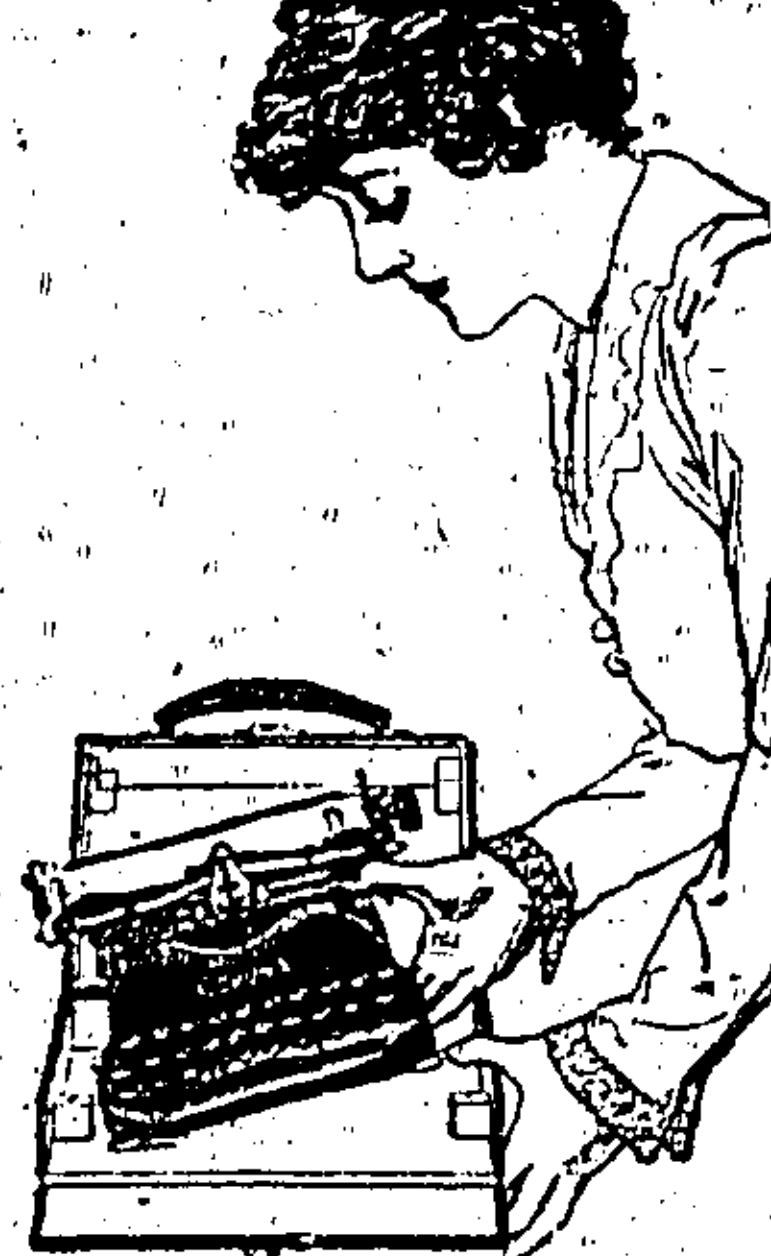
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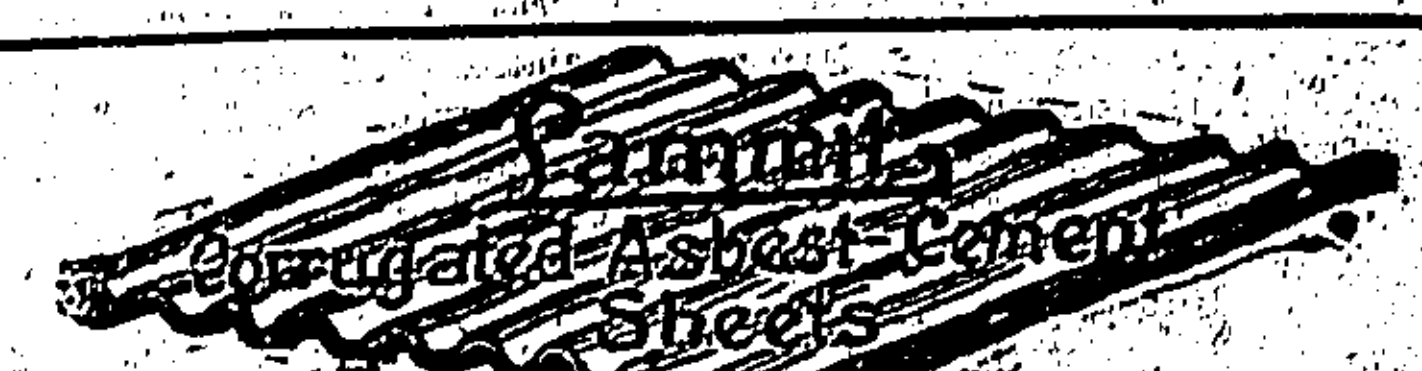
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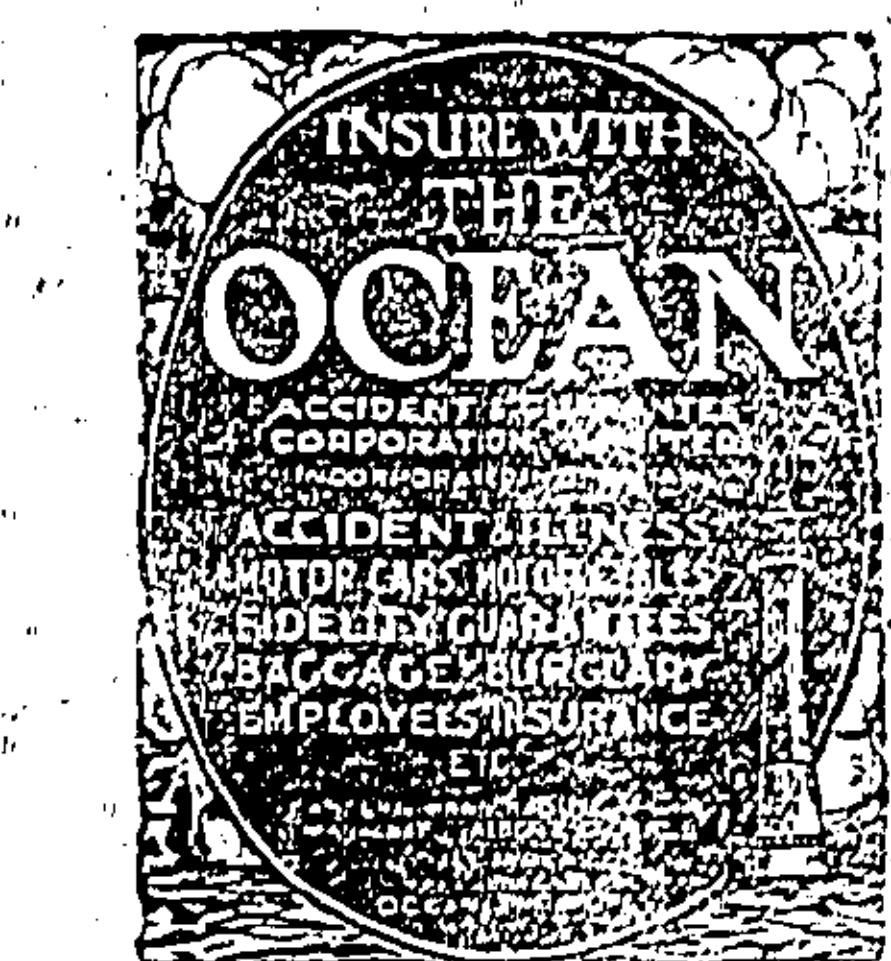
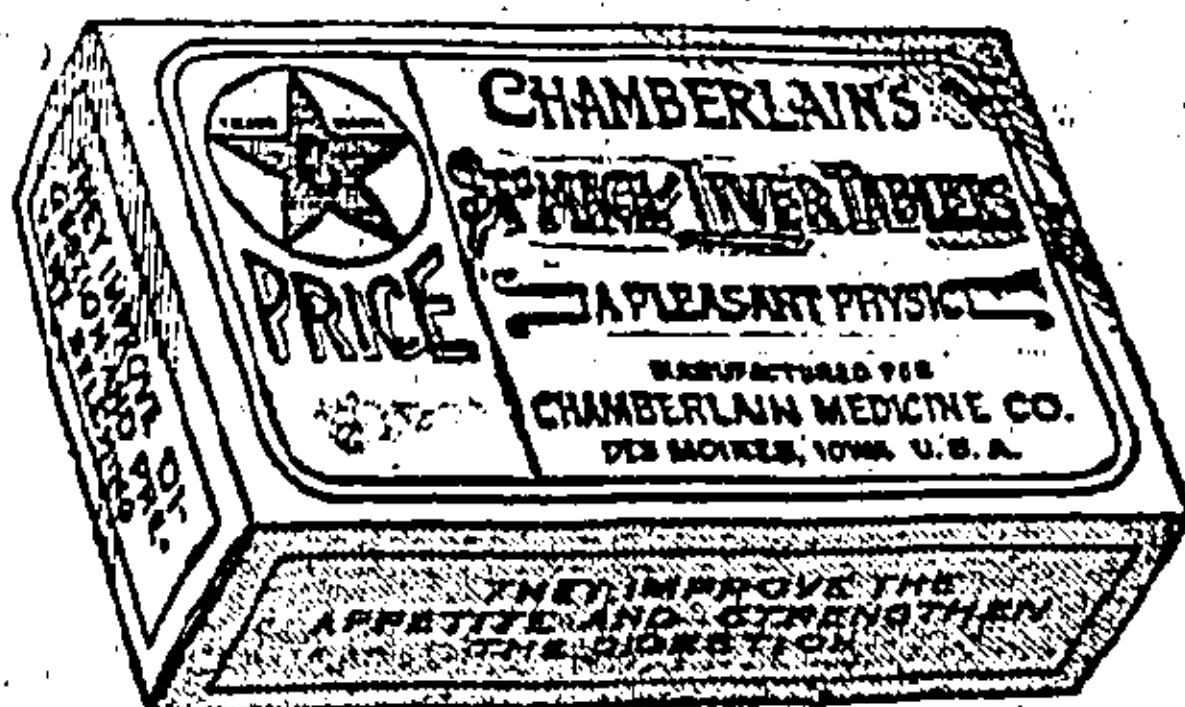
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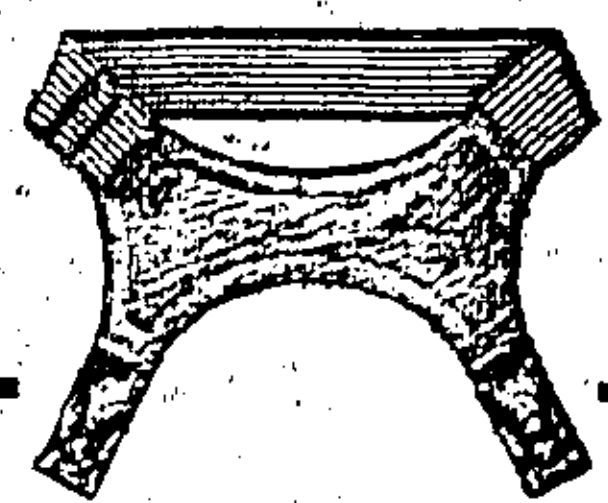


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PARLIAMENT AND THE BUILDER.

THE RENT RESTRICTION ACT.

The Law Society, at the opening meeting of its annual Conference at Leeds, engaged in a very informative discussion on the Rent Restriction Act, which is certain to remain a subject of unflagging interest until Parliament reaches a definite decision as to its fate. The great body of expert opinion is convinced that while it remains on the Statute Book the housing problem can never be settled in the only way in which a real settlement is possible—namely, through the resumption of his normal activities by the speculative builder. Yet it is not considered probable that Sir Henry Norman's Committee will report in favour of allowing the Act to expire suddenly next June, but will rather suggest that its demise should be deferred to a later date, subject to certain curtailments and modifications "to come into force in the summer. Sir Kingsley Wood, in his paper, seemed to hint at a possible extension of two years, and this may not unfairly be taken to indicate in what direction the controlling minds of the Department are moving. What the master builders want above all things, as was clearly brought out in the special articles and correspondence on this subject which appeared in our columns a month ago, is certainty. They want to be authoritatively assured that at a not very distant date the Rent Restriction Act—which from their point of view might well be called the House-Building Restriction Act—will come to an end, and then they will be able to go right ahead with building schemes and provide the public with the houses they require. Materials, it is true, are still dear compared with pre-war prices, but other costs have shown a steady decrease. The bricklayers have doubled their output compared with the figures of two years ago, and small houses are being built to-day for less than half the price of eighteen months ago, thanks, as has been said, to the drop in labour costs and to the drastic limitations imposed on the various municipal housing schemes, which had powerfully encouraged the formation of every sort of ring and combine to keep up prices. As soon as the war regime came to an end "a miraculous and gratifying change"—in Sir Kingsley Wood's words—came over the scene.

This problem, however, touches the house-owner even more closely than the house-builder, and no one can read the abstract of the replies which the National Federation of Property Owners and Estate Agents has just drawn up for submission to Sir Henry Norman's Committee without realising how extraordinarily strong the case is against the injustices imposed by the Rent Restriction Act. The Federation has 100,000 members, with interests covering some four million dwelling-houses, which, according to Sir Kingsley Wood's figures, are nearly half the total number of houses in the country. He stated, indeed, that only about 200,000 houses are exempt from the operation of the Act, and in the vast majority of cases the owners are persons of very modest means who have invested in house property because it is a visible form of investment which they understand and on which they can keep their eye. It is very hard on these small owners that they should be singled out for long-continued penalisation because during the war Parliament was anxious to prevent advantage being taken of the stoppage of building to force rents up to a degree totally unwarranted by the actual deficiency. That such a consequence would have followed will scarcely be challenged, for it certainly took place in connection with almost every other commodity. House-owners accepted the disabilities imposed by the restrictions of the Act, in a spirit which did them great credit, but they think it is now time that their grievances received fair consideration. They contend that even if the Act were allowed to expire in June there is no justification for the common belief that "extortionate increases in rent, or orders for possession, would become general." But the fact that such a "common belief" prevails is significant, and no doubt Sir Henry Norman's Committee and Parliament will take it into account. "Extortionate," however, is a question-begging epithet. An increase which may well seem reasonable to the house-owner, calculating that for so many years his outgoings have left him little or no net return on his invested capital, is still sure to be styled "extortionate" by the tenant whose real objection is to any increase at all. There has been talk in some quarters of the establishment of Rent Courts, but we hope we shall be spared that new form of public expenditure. For if such Courts were administered on the principles of strict justice the officials would be bound to fix economic rents, while if they allowed politics and votes to influence their decision we should take yet another long step in the direction of political corruption.

For bringing rents to their proper level there is nothing like the free play of the market, and we want no further experiments which can only end in new restrictions being placed on the free activities of the man whose job it is to supply houses to those who want them. We regret, moreover, to see the argument in the National Federation's memorandum that "the State should foot the bill" if economic principles are to be further sacrificed to expediency. The State has already to foot a bill of £10,000,000 a year for sixty years arising from the housing experiments of the Ministry of Health at a time of exceptional shortage, when everything was abnormal, and every mistake made exacted an abnormally heavy penalty. House-owners, we think, will be better advised not to talk of the taxpayer footing the bill, but to press for every reasonable modification of the Act which their grievances immediately require and for a fixed date for the Act's expiry. Sir Kingsley Wood put their case to the Law Society just as forcibly as they could have done themselves, in respect of the injustice to the one-house owner, who is kept out

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of possession of the property which he desires to inhabit himself, and the particularly glaring injustice to the owner who sees a tenant letting out rooms at extortionate rents and spoiling his property by the additional wear and tear. Again, this Act, however well-intentioned, was badly drafted, and ruthless advantage has been taken of it alike by unscrupulous owners, unscrupulous tenants, and unscrupulous agents. Experience has shown that many clever wits have been at work upon it to the detriment of the public interest. The premium rent—and not only on houses within the scope of the Act, but on all classes of property—has been a public scandal, encouraged by many agents for their own profit, and the public has had no protection whatsoever. Tenants have also a long list of grievances against owners who do not fulfil the obligation to carry out repairs in respect of which they were allowed, when the Act was amended, to enforce an increase of rent. Recent magisterial decisions on the legal meaning of "attendance" have been turned most inequitably to the tenant's disadvantage. Clearly, then, if the Act is to be extended at all, it must be drastically and fairly revised all round, in accordance with the evidence that will be laid before Sir Henry Norman's Committee. But always one comes round to the same conclusion, that the only way to get matters straight again is to build more houses, and the only way to get that done is to give the market free play.—Daily Telegraph.

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Providence, British str., 6,118 tons, Capt. J. L. Spence, from Ghu, with a general cargo.—J. & S.
Sumatra Maru, Japanese str., 1,272 tons, Capt. M. Tsubaki, from Moji, with a general cargo.—O.S.K.
Sunning, British str., from Canton.
Taka Maru, Japanese str., from Canton.
Takida, British str., 4,237 tons, Capt. P. W. Rowe, from India, with a general cargo.—J.M. & Co.
Tsurushima Maru, Japanese str., 3,351 tons, Capt. Y. Hino, from Dairen, with coal.—Y.K.K.
West Chumko, American str., 4,520 tons, Capt. C. B. McMullen, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—Strathern & Barry.
Yuen Hong, Chinese str., 1,111 tons, Capt. H. C. Foy, from Saigon, with rice.—Yuen Shing Fat.

CLEARANCES.

November 2nd.
Hairing, for Swatow.
Tauraga Maru, for Shanghai.

November 3rd.

Atsuta Maru, for Swatow.
Atsuta Maru, for Canton.
Batavia Maru, for Takau.
City of Oron, for Manila.
Diana Dollar, for Manila.
Egna, for Singapore.
Haitan, for Swatow.
Keweenaw, for Swatow.
Kiakiang, for Canton.
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Tientsin, for Canton.
Vap Clon, for Swatow.
West Chumko, for Manila.
Yuen Hong, for Manila.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per s.s. **Takida**, on November 3rd:—
 Mr. C. A. Stumm, Mr. D. W. Wade, Mr. G. M. Lyon, Mr. J. Waldie, Mr. Mrs. and Master Grimples, Mr. and Mrs. Omond and infant, Capt. H. V. S. Page, Mr. E. Quincumb.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. **Empress of Canada** arrived at Shanghai on November 3rd, at 11.30 a.m., leaves today, at 7 p.m., is due at Hongkong on November 6th, at 2.30 p.m., and will berth at Pier No. 5, Kowloon Wharf.

The s.s. **Eurydice** (Blue Funnel), for London, Amsterdam and Antwerp, left Shanghai on November 2nd for this port. She is due here on November 5th, and will be despatched at 2 p.m. on November 6th.

The s.s. **Izumi** (Blue Funnel), from Pacific ports, left Kobe on November 2nd for this port via Kuchinotzu, and is due here on November 9th.

The Bank Line s.s. **City of Paris** left Singapore on November 3rd, and is due to arrive at Hongkong on November 6th.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Agapenor (Blue Funnel), due Nov. 11th.
Alcinous (Blue Funnel), due Nov. 23rd.
City of Paris (Bank Line), due Nov. 6th.
Calchas (Blue Funnel), due Nov. 26th.
Epipenor (Blue Funnel), due Dec. 3rd.
E. of Canada, due Nov. 6th, 2.30 p.m.
Fushimi Maru (N.Y.K.), due Nov. 7th.
Kamakura Maru (N.Y.K.), due Nov. 6th.
Karmala (P. & O.), due to-day, 7 a.m.
Mervona (Blue Funnel), due Nov. 20th.
Nileus (Blue Funnel), due Nov. 30th.
Pres. Cleveland (P.M.), due Nov. 11th.
President Pierce (P.M.), due Nov. 11th.
Sanuki Maru (N.Y.K.), due Nov. 14th.
Tajima Maru (N.Y.K.), due Nov. 8th.
Tango Maru (N.Y.K.), due Nov. 18th.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong.—5th November, 1922. 31st Sunday after Trinity. Holy Communion (8.30 a.m.). Children's Service (10 a.m.). Hymns, Matins (11 a.m.). Responses, Psalms, Venite, Tenebrae (20). Psalms, 118, 117 (as set); Te Deum, Havergal, Trunk, Havergal (7th day); Benedictus, Oakley (1st morning); Anthem, "Let all men praise the Lord" Mendelssohn; Hymn, 437 (as set).

N.B.—Psalm 116, verses 1, 2, 7, 8, 15, 18 in unison.

Holy Communion (12 noon). Evensong (6 p.m.). Responses, Psalms, 139, 130 (as set); Magnificat, Bennett (2nd morning); Nunc Dimittis, Barby; Hymns, 270 (as set), T. 351 31.

N.B.—Psalm 129, verses 1, 2, 3, 6 in unison. Psalm 130, 3, 4, 7, 8 in unison. Psalm 131, G.P. in unison.

Hymn 270, verses 1, 3, 4 in unison. Hymn 534, verses 1, 2, 3 in unison. Hymn 31, verses 1, 3 in unison.

PRAX Church.—Holy Communion (8.15 a.m.).

Union Church (Kennedy Road).—Sunday Services: November 5th.

Harvest Festival and Hospital. Sunday Morning Service at 11 o'clock.

Subject:—Fields White unto the Harvest.

Evening Service at 6 o'clock.

Subject:—The Duty of Thankfulness.

Preacher:—Rev. J. Kirk Macpherson.

Collection for Hospital.

Sunday School, 3.30.

Literary Club on Tuesday at 9 p.m. Lecture on "The Press," H. A. Coutwright.

Eq. Christian Endeavour Society on Friday, at 8.30 p.m.

First Church of Christ Scientist, MacDonnell Road, below Bowen Road, Train Station. Sunday, 11.15 a.m. Wednesday 5.45 p.m.

UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' SERVICES ASSOCIATION (Rheinish Mission Church, Bonham Road).—Sunday, Nov. 5th, 1922, at 7.30 p.m.

Hymns:—261, "Blessed are the pure in heart," 540, "Fiebig the good night with all thy might."

Anthem:—Meditation—Violin Solo by Mr. V. F. Vicars.

Preacher:—Mr. J. L. McPherson, M.A. (General Secretary of Chinese Y.M.C.A.).

Subject:—"Social Christianity." [1889]

WEATHER REPORT.

"Nov. 3rd at 11.15.—Pressure has increased moderately over Japan and slightly from Formosa to Luzon and at Guam. It is nearly stationary at other reporting stations.

The anticyclone is central near Shanghai. Moderate monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m., 3rd Nov., 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 63.16 inches, against an average of 80.66 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

District Forecast

Hongkong to Gap Rock N.E. winds, moderate; fair.

Formosa Channel The same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Lucocks No. 1.

South coast China between Hongkong and Hainan The same as No. 1.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, November 3rd.

	Previous Day	On Date	On Date
	at 4 p.m.	at 5 a.m.	at 2 p.m.
Barometer	29.95	30.02	30.01
Temperature	78	71	78
Humidity	65	77	52
Wind Direction	E	ENE	ENE
Force	2	2	3
Weather	b	0	0
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature on land ... 78

Lowest open-air Temperature on land ... 71

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From Nov. 4th to 10th, 1922.

Days of Week	Days of Month	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
		H'kong Standard Time.	Height.	H'kong Standard Time.	Height.
Satur.	4	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		8 58	5 8	3 56	2 8
Sun.	5	8 47	7 3	3 50	2 8
		9 37	5 7	3 42	1 9
Mon.	6	9 11	7 5	3 19	3 0
		10 21	5 5	4 20	1 7
Tues.	7	9 39	7 7	3 47	3 2
		11 12	5 3	4 16	3 5
Wed.	8	10 13	5 0	5 42	1 5
		10 53	7 7	4 46	3 7
Thur.	9	12 04	4 8	6 20	1 6
		11 41	7 6	6 19	4 0
Fri.	10	2 31	4 7	7 21	1 7
				5 57	4 2

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"PLASSY"	7,380	10th Jan. 1923	do.
"SARDINIA"	6,580	24th Jan.	do.
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"DELTA"	6,037	21st Feb.	do.
"KALYAN"	6,037	7th Mar.	do.
"KASHMIR"	6,037	14th Mar.	do.
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"NANKIN"	7,000	18th Apr.	do.
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SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA"	On 5th Nov. D.L.
SHANGHAI & SHANGHAI	"TIENTSIN"	On 6th Nov. D.L.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"CHENGTO"	On 6th Nov. 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"LIANGCHOW"	On 7th Nov. D.L.
NEWCHOWANG	"NINGPO"	On 7th Nov. 4 p.m.
BANGKOK	"KIENLO"	On 7th Nov. 4 p.m.
NEWCHOWANG	"CHENAN"	On 8th Nov. 4 p.m.
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